

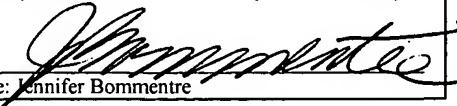


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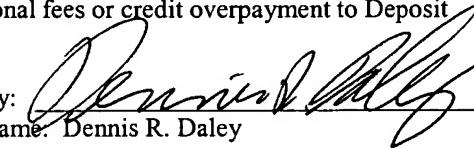
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004. Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration of the outstanding rejections are requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Support for Amendment** begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.